Past**or Jer’s** phone number – 402-404-0494

Janice Parde’s number – 402-520-2322

**This Week**

Live streaming Worship/Holy Communion, 10 am

**Wednesday**

Council, 7:30 pm

**Thursday**

Ladies Aide

 **Next Sunday**

Live streaming Worship/Holy Communion, 10 am

Luminary Nativity Walk, 6 pm

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Welcome to worship! Warm Welcome to all our visitors. We would love to have you visit again! We ask that you please sign a visitor card located in the pews and bring the information section of the card to the information center desk, located in the unity room. We are so glad you are here!**

**HANDICAP PARKING**-IN THE NEED FOR MORE HANDICAP PARKING FOR OUR WORSHIP SERVICES, WE WILL BEGIN TO USE ALL SPACES FROM PARSONAGE TO NORTH DOORS OF CHURCH FOR THOSE THAT HAVE DIFFICULTY WALKING OR USE WALKERS. PLEASE BE CONSIDERATE OF THOSE THAT TRULY NEED THE CLOSER PARKING.  THANK YOU!!    *~The Church Council*

**Church council makes CDs and DVDs of each service**.  If you would like a copy of a service (present or past), please let a council member know.

**Thank You** – I would like to Thank everybody for all the Birthday Cards I received for my 90th Birthday. I enjoyed them all so much, had a wonderful day! Willard Waltke

**Luminary Nativity Walk – 6 p.m. Sunday, December 6, 2020.** Come to Zion and walk by luminary light the pages of the nativity story. As you begin the walk you will receive both a candle and song sheet for later use.

 As you walk around the church, you will witness Mary and the angel Gabriel, Joseph and the angel Gabriel, the angel chorus, the shepherds, and the wise men. The finish of this nativity story walk will be in front of the altar where Mary and Joseph lovingly guard the Christ child resting in the manger under the stable’s roof.

 At 6:30 pm we will light the individual candles and sing Silent Night, Holy Night from the song sheet you received in the beginning. Hospitality team will be providing hot chocolate after this for all who participate. Mandatory wearing of masks will be observed to prevent the spread of COVID, colds or influenza.

 Please contact Jordan Freeman if you wish for a luminary to be lighted in memory or in honor of a special person in your life.

God bless and Merry Christmas!

**Due to the increase of COVID** cases in the area and in an effort to keep our community safe, we’ve made the decision to suspend in person worship and Sunday School until further notice in an effort to help reduce the spread of Covid. Join us on Facebook for the Sunday Service at 10:00 am. Stay safe and God bless!

**WELCA Members** - You can pick up a copy of the Expressions Magazine found on the Information Desk.

**COLLEGE STUDENTS** – The Willie and Anna Meints scholarship applications are located in the back of the church. Students entering college can apply for the scholarship for up to 4 years. **Applications must be received by January 15, 2021 following the start of the students first college year.** Applications received after the January 15, 2021 deadline will not be considered. **NOTE:** Please make sure to read through the qualifications listed on the application. A printout of the student’s grades are needed upon completion of their 2020 Fall semester.

Committee Members: Doreen Wallman, Steve Oltman & DeAnn Oltman.

**Share Your Musical Talents** – As Covid – 19 guidelines suggest congregations and choirs NOT sing during church services, please consider sharing your talents with us (vocal and/or instrumental). To reserve the Sunday of your choice, visit with Pam Trauernicht: call 402-230-0123 or email

pamtrauernicht@diodecom.net

**Donations to Zion Available** - If you use Amazon for some of your shopping, did you know that your purchases can result in a donation to Zion Lutheran Church, at no cost to you?   All you have to do is activate “Amazon Smile” from your Amazon Shopping app, and select “Zion Lutheran Church” with location “Pickrell, NE”.  Then, when you make Amazon purchases, do so through “[smile.amazon.com](http://smile.amazon.com/)”.   It is the same shopping experience as Amazon, but AmazonSmile will donate .5% of your eligible purchases to Zion.  After each purchase the app will inform you of your resulting year to date donation to Zion.  If you are already doing this, thank you, if not, we hope that you will consider this opportunity.

**Looking for a great way** to bring remembrance to a loved one or recognize someone on their special day? Consider sponsoring a bulletin for $75! Contact the church office if interested or for more details .

**Sound System Update**... due to Covid, it has caused the installation to be rescheduled for later this year.

**REMINDER:**

**Donations for the newly proposed Sound & Video System** can be put in the special offering envelopes or note sound system in the memo on checks. Reach out to any council member if you have any questions and thank you in advance for your generosity.

**Sound System Financial Update (11/19/20)**

Sound System Estimated Cost $39,000.00

Sound System Deposit Paid $22,248.59

Monies Collected

 Zion Ladies Aid 3600.00

 Memorial Committee 1500.00

 Endowment Committee 10,000.00

 Sweet Corn Sales 4719.75

 Sound Systems Savings Fund 4734.29

 Congregational Giving 11,385.00

 Total Collected to Date $35,939.04

Outstanding Balance on Project ($ 3,060.96)

Every man shall give as he is able, according to the blessing of the Lord your God that he has given you. Deuteronomy 16:17

**WE NEED YOU!**

It's always a good time to remember those in the military! If we have missed anyone please give Janice a call at the office so they may be included.  Current known addresses  listed below:

**PFC  Hartig, Collin***(parents Jerod & Cally Ideus)*

**2307 Jackson Ave.**

**Fort Eustis, VA 23604 ( New Address)**

**PFC Behrens, Caleigh** *(Parents – Spencer & Aril Behrens)*

**C. Co 787th MP BN 1st platoon**

**7598 Loyalty Loop, Bldg 936**

**Fort Leonard Wood, MO 65473**

**November Altar Guild-** Marcella Rademacher, Susan Newman, Lorene Wallman, Sandy Meints, Rhonda Dorn

**SNOW BRIGADE #2 (week of Nov. 30- Dec 7)** Terry Gronewold\*Council, Gerald Ideus \*\*Captain, Todd Bohlmeyer, James Meints, Billy Harms, Brian Garton, Josh Gronewold, Ken Newman, Alan Wiese, Paul Jurgens

**Shut-Ins**

**Gold Crest** – *Emma Meints, Marie Schoen*

**Homestead House** – *Thees Busboom*

**Beatrice Health & Rehab** *- Elsie Zimmerman*

**Clark Jeary** – *Leona Trauernicht*

**Whispering Winds Cottage** – *LaVern Parde*

**PEO Home –** *Angeline Johnson*

**Our Homes Assisted Living** – *Randy Oltman*